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Beat The Rush

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City Council Questions Scott On Her Votes on Metro Site

by James Giese

County Councilwoman Audrey Scott came to a Greenbelt City Council worksession on July 6 expecting to discuss the Greenbelt Metro Area Sector plan and the proposed development at the Metro station. Instead she spent most of the evening defending herself to the council over actions she had taken related to that development. On one side of the table sat four members of council (Edward Putens was absent) seeking explanations for actions she took that were contrary to the council's wishes. She sat alone on the other side, but held her own in the ensuing discussion.

Councilmember Thomas White started the complaints of the city by asking Scott why she had voted to support a governor's list of priority projects that included building a full interchange at the Beltway for access to the Metro site right after the city council had sent a letter to her expressing its opposition to such an improvement. "We have a planning process that hasn't reached a determination that an interchange is needed. We're not there, yet," he told her. He also noted that such an interchange would be an adverse impact upon the environment.

Scott responded that she had discussed this issue with the

mayor and other members of council at some meeting she had attended. She stated her belief that the interchange was needed to keep traffic off of Greenbelt streets. "I do not want to see traffic . . . coming into Greenbelt," she told the council.

White admonished Scott that she didn't need to lecture them about Greenbelt and traffic, noting that Greenbelt had more than its fair share of highways running through it. Building the interchange will bring more traffic into Greenbelt, he contended because it would increase the amount of development at the Metro site. "But not on Crescent or Ridge," Scott responded, claiming that her decision was an "honest" one made for no other reason than to keep traffic out of Greenbelt.

As to acting on the governor's priority list so quickly, she told the city council that the list had been submitted to the county council on a Friday when she was away from the office, and she had not seen it until the following Monday when time constraints forced the county council to take action on the proposal. The council did not wish to let the governor's list go forward without its comments.

Hendershot?

City councilmember Rodney Roberts accused Scott of taking

positions without consulting the city council. Also she was voting with County Councilmember Thomas Hendershot whose only constituents, Roberts charged, are developers. "He is developer driven," Roberts said. "If I don't have a chance to talk to you or persuade you, then it's bad. That's what politics is all about," he continued. "We perceive you as supporting greater density."

Scott responded that she is an ally of Hendershot and never does anything without first consulting with either City Manager Michael McLaughlin or Mayor Judith Davis. Her interest is to preserve as much green space as possible. She works closely with Joe Chang, planning staff member to the Sector Plan Task Force. Scott is pleased that she got the county to initiate the sector planning process, only the second one to be done by the county. She follows what she perceives to be the position of the Task Force which includes Greenbelt councilmembers and citizens, but noted that the group's position has changed.

Davis pointed out that Greenbelt's position had evolved, not changed. Greenbelt is not anti-development, she said, but there are other factors to consider. She recognized that there was a push for economic development

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Greenbelt Supports Metro SMA But Then Cites Five Concerns

by Virginia Beauchamp

A strongly positive letter by Greenbelt Mayor Judith F. Davis to Elizabeth Hewlett, chair of the Prince George's Planning Board, praised the process used over the past almost three years which culminated in the publication of the Preliminary Sector Plan and Proposed Sectional Map Amendment for the Greenbelt Metro Area. According to the letter, the city "strongly supports" both the plan's overall vision and its concept for the core area, that piece of land on which the Metro station is located and the adjacent A. H. Smith property abutting it to the south.

That vision calls for "a distinct, integrated and inviting mixed-use community" with a "multimodal" traffic system incorporating transit, automobiles, and bicycle and pedestrian trails to minimize "traffic impacts"; preservation of environmental features; "environmentally sensitive development;" and "high quality design standards."

Within that larger segment, which stretches from Rhode Island Avenue in College Park to Kenilworth Avenue in Greenbelt, and from Greenbelt Road to Sunnyside Avenue, the Core Area is "envisioned as a comprehen-

sively planned, high-quality, mixed-use community with integrated residential, office, retail, entertainment, recreational and open space uses to create a 24-hour, transit-oriented environment."

But if, as they say, the devil is in the details, an accompanying 35-page document sets forth the city's "specific concerns" with the plan as a whole. These are not intended, Mayor Davis writes, as expressing opposition to the plan; instead they are offered in an effort to "improve" it and thus to "improve the quality of life for all of us."

These concerns are classified into five themes: 1) that the plan is not sufficiently oriented to transit, as opposed to automobile, access; 2) that the uses envisioned for the Core Area are not truly "mixed," but segregated into a primarily retail component in the north section and a primarily residential element in the south; 3) that the plan ignores current transportation "challenges" and uses "unrealistic transportation assumptions"; 4) that environmental protections are not strong enough, especially for the significant wetland area; and 5) that it treats existing sections like Springhill Lake and Beltway

Plaza as though they were not already developed, thus failing to work within the limitations their current situations impose.

Transit-centered Philosophy

While commending the plan's vision, the city's critique emphasizes that mere proximity to a transit system does not insure that it will be used. In particular the city criticizes the location of the mostly retail component next to the Metro station. Studies across the nation have demonstrated that residential developments near a station increase its use, the city report states, while retail developments are automobile-dependent.

In the design proposed, residential areas are sited too far away from the station for pedestrian use. At the same time, the retail component envisioned calls for additional vehicle traffic in the form of a Beltway interchange and construction of a proposed north-south connector road through the most environmentally sensitive section of the property in question.

Nor does the plan explore the impact on the local road system (that is, Cherrywood Lane and its substandard bridge over the Beltway) as the volume of traffic increases with the proposed retail

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Council Opts for Executive Session on Jaeger Tract

by Judith Ransom Bell

Various and sundry topics were discussed at the monthly summer meeting of the Greenbelt City Council on July 10, some with lively debate, including an end-of-the-evening discussion regarding the Jaeger tract. All councilmembers were present.

Added to the agenda was a City Manager's Award, presented by Michael McLaughlin to Greg Varda, Community Center coordinator, for his excellent work on the New Year's celebration. Another topic came as a request for the city logo to be used once again for the Outstanding Citizen award. It was approved for one time only, with council agreeing to consider ongoing use at a future meeting.

Another request, this time for an extension on the temporary Belle Point sign permit given to owner Amjad Khan, generated considerable debate between Khan and the council. Khan contended that he had received no notice on any lapse in maintenance of the grounds surrounding the sign, which had been stipulated as a requirement in the original awarding of the permit.

Kahn also contended that according to his lawyers, the property where the sign is located (on American Legion Drive) is designated as a state right-of-way and not city property. Mayor Judith Davis commented that perhaps

the sign could be placed on private property. In this case, as well as that of the temporary permit previously granted, Kahn would have to apply for a permit and meet the same guidelines as in the temporary permit.

At one point in the extended debate, councilmember Tom White stated, "Mr Kahn, if I may use a metaphor, you're digging a hole." In the end, council voted 4-1 to accept staff's recommendation to revoke approval for the temporary advertising sign, with councilmember Alan Turnbull declining.

Pool Policy

In an update on the new admission policy to the Aquatic and Fitness Center, supervisor George Rogala reported that staff has received overwhelmingly positive responses from residents and non-resident passholders and entirely negative responses from daily user non-residents. The new policy has had the desired effect; weekend and holiday non-resident attendance has been reduced dramatically from last year's figures of 2,687 to this year's 345. Membership pass sales increased from 189 to 191, while non-resident pass sales increased from 112 to 130. However, staff anticipates that revenue will be reduced by \$20,000 from the previous year due to this policy change.

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Search for Change Brings City Clerk to Greenbelt

by Sabine Hentrich

"I heard from people that it was a very nice place to work; that the people were very nice; that it was a very positive work environment, so I was interested in it," said Kathleen Gallagher, discussing her decision to become Greenbelt's new city clerk in April after David Moran's promotion to assistant to the city manager.

Gallagher is excited to undertake this challenging position, with its requirement for versatility. Her responsibilities include writing, preparing analyses, getting ready for city council meetings, and keeping records. Further, she works with advisory boards and recruits applicants.

In particular, Gallagher enjoys assisting people over the phone; "The city clerk's phone number is actually published in the phone book, so I get all kinds of phone calls . . . people thinking we're the Greenbelt court house, or people who want to know how to get a marriage license. I like helping people that way."

Gallagher has always enjoyed learning things about her community. In finding answers to such diverse questions, this learning process comes with her job. She is proud to say that in the short time she has worked as the city

clerk, she has significantly broadened her knowledge about the history of Greenbelt and Prince George's County.

She first heard that the city had an opening for the position of city clerk while volunteering at the Greenbelt News Review — another position she accepted in order to find out more about her new home, Greenbelt, where she moved in 1995. At the time, she had recently resigned as assistant to the President at University College, the University of Maryland, and was actively job hunting.

Gallagher's job at University College first brought her to the Washington area. Not knowing the neighborhood, she literally stumbled upon Greenbelt when she went apartment shopping in the College Park area. She liked the "small town feeling" of Greenbelt and the fact that she did not have to drive to get around.

Greenbelt also appealed to her because of its "captivating history," and because she felt safe living here. After renting a garden apartment at University Square for a year, she bought a Greenbelt Homes Incorporated (GHI) house in 1996.

In her spare time, Gallagher
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Dr Boarman Says So Long For Now

As Dr. Gerald Boarman's tenure as Principal of ERHS draws to a close, he shared his thoughts with the Greenbelt community.

Dear Friends,

There was not a last straw so to speak that drove me to resign as principal of Eleanor Roosevelt but rather a realization on my part that I had done this for 11 years, 12-14 hours a day, while the average principal at the high school level lasts only four to five years at the same school. Each year was a new challenge and the goals and the academic achievement bar were raised internally by me in all areas. In order to keep the type of motivation and energy it takes to lead a world-class school you have to give yourself completely to the job and I wanted to try something new and different.

Eleanor Roosevelt is a world-class school and a model of educational reform that is visited by thousands of education and government officials throughout the year. We have international visitors as well and this takes a great deal of time and effort to coordinate, along with the daily educational routine that every principal encounters. The responsibility to the community and the school population is a 24-hour job and I wanted to slow down as I advance in my professional career.

I think we as a school community and the citizens of the greater Greenbelt community have accomplished our mission and goals. We are the only public secondary school in the state of Maryland to win two National Blue Ribbon Awards. Also, our New American High School Award is an accomplishment that only 12 schools met this year. When we were selected to pilot the new Academy of Information and Technology and the announcement was made in New York City by President Clinton, I felt we had accomplished another milestone in opportunities for our students and our community.

The greatest accomplishments for me at Eleanor Roosevelt were not the individual awards I received or the collective awards the school has been recognized for but rather the thrill of watching students accomplishing their goals of going to college or other post-secondary educational opportunities because they did everything that was asked of them by the school and their parents. This opens up the next phase of their life and just think we played an important role in paving the path for them as productive citizens.

I have accepted a position as Executive Director of the North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics. This is a public school supported by the state. Any student in the state who is entering into their 11th grade year can apply for a position at the school in January of their 10th grade year. The school is a two-year residential school for 11th and 12th graders. There are 575 students in the school but it is totally residential and students are in class or supervised by adults 24 hours a day. The

school is located in Durham, North Carolina, about four blocks from Duke University.

I was drawn to the school because I was given 100% support from Governor Jim Hunt and University of North Carolina System President Molly Broad, as well as Board of Trustees Chairperson Carol Hughes to develop a world-class educational complex that will be a model for science, math and technology in the 21st century. The school has a principal and my role is more like that of a superintendent or president of a college. I will be able to formulate policy and work with the University on a global plan for instructing students in applying science, math, and technology in our everyday life.

I will begin to work with the community at the North Carolina School of Science and Math to formulate our goals for the future and to make sure we are the leader in science and math education nationally.

I will begin the job July 5 and my wife will remain in Maryland and finish her last year of teaching at Martin Luther King Middle School in Prince George's County. She will begin her 30th year in September and the completion of her career is very important to her. I appreciate her desire to finish the education cycle she began 29 years ago.

Dr. Bonnie Dill, parent and chair of the advisory board at ERHS, as well as the other

speakers at my retirement dinner are people I have a great deal of admiration and respect for. I believe Dr. Dill knows me well enough to predict that if for some reasons this community or the county needed my assistance in any way, I would return to assist them without hesitation. I am a life-long resident of this community and I will continue to be active even from North Carolina in both the educational and political issues facing our citizens and students.

The citizens of the Greenbelt community have been so very kind and supportive to me for 11 years and it would be impossible for me to thank each and every one of them personally. However, I want to publicly thank everyone for the wonderful feelings the community has toward Eleanor Roosevelt High School and the love the school has for the community. We could never have been successful without the total support of each and every parent, citizen, and government official in Greenbelt. I only ask one thing of the community as I leave, and that is to give the same unconditional and total support to the new principal as you have given to me, which will benefit the students and the community for years to come.

I will not say goodbye but so long for now, my friends.

Dr. Gerald Boarman
Principal, Eleanor
Roosevelt High School

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"The Secret Circus"

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Call for information on programming.



Greenbelt Labor Day
Festival Committee, Inc.

NOMINATION FORM

Greenbelt's Outstanding Citizen

Submit this form or a letter by Monday, August 7, to:

Robert Zugby, Chair

94 Ridge Rd., Greenbelt, MD 20770

Name of Nominee _____

Address _____

Nominated By:

Name(s) (please print) _____

Signature(s) _____

Phone _____

Please attach a statement (preferably printed or typed) which explains why the nominee deserves recognition as Greenbelt's Outstanding Citizen. Possible subjects include a list of organizations or activities in which the nominee has participated, including length of time; specific accomplishments during each period of service; the impact on Greenbelt or on people within the city; and personal qualities which make the nominee special. Award is for volunteer (unpaid) work only. Supporting printed material will be accepted but is not required. Testimonials by others as to the person's good works will be helpful. The more information you can provide the committee the better.

Note: All nominators must sign. Use separate sheet if necessary. Thank you!!

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Festival Notes

by Patti Brothers

Labor Day is quickly approaching and the first Labor Day Festival of the new millennium is just around the corner.

Miss Greenbelt

There is still time to enter this year's Miss Greenbelt Pageant. The deadline for entries is July 20. To qualify to enter, contestants must either live, work or go to school in Greenbelt. There are three categories of contestants - Little Miss (ages 7 to 10); Junior Miss (ages 11 to 13) and Miss (ages 14 to 19). Miss Greenbelt will receive a \$2,000 savings bond. All contestants will receive prizes, as well as makeup and modeling sessions, a professional photo session and the chance to meet lots of new friends. The weekly practices have begun and are held every Sunday at 3 p.m. at the Youth Center. Call Natasha Jewell at 301-352-8665 or Christine Patsas at 301-513-7759 for more information — there is still time to enter.

Carnival

There is still time to reserve a Festival booth. Linda Savage, carnival chair, is accepting applications. This is a great opportunity for an organization to receive recognition, as well as income, and have lots of fun. The best decorated booth will receive an award. If an organization needs a vendor, one can be supplied. Call Linda Savage for more information and an application at 301-345-5723.

Outstanding Citizen

There is still time to submit nominees for this year's Outstanding Citizen. The deadline is August 7. There are lots of deserving citizens for this prestigious award. Get your nomination in now. Nominations should be sent to Robert Zugby, Chair, Greenbelt Outstanding Citizen Committee, 94 Ridge Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770.

Art Show

The Labor Day Art Show will once again be run by Barbara Simon and promises to be filled

Community Events

Recreational Vehicle History at Park

Come to Greenbelt Park and discover the history of the recreational vehicle and its impact on travel in America. Meet at the Ranger Station near the campground on Friday, July 21 at 6 p.m. For more information, please call 301-344-3944.

Pool Party Picnic At Greenbriar

Greenbriar/Glen Oaks residents are invited to the 23rd Annual Pool Party Picnic on Saturday, July 15 from 6 - 11 p.m. Dinner will be served from 6 - 7:30 p.m. After dinner, enjoy a night of swimming, dancing with music by a favorite D.J., snacks, games and door prizes. For information call Tina at 301-411-1096.

with wonderful art work as always. Awards will be given in various categories. Call Barbara Simon at 301-474-2192 for more information.

Photo Show

The Photo Show this year is dedicated to Prospero Zevallos who ran the show for many, many years. This year the show will be run by his wife, Anne, and son, Keith. Call Anne at 301-345-3770 or Keith at 301-474-5542 to volunteer over the weekend or to place your entry. Awards will be given in various categories.

Parade

There is still time to be part of the Labor Day Parade. Awards will be given in various categories. Call Linda Ivy at 301-441-9414 for more information.

Talent Show

Auditions are currently being scheduled for this year's Talent Show. Call Dennis or Marthea Lewis at 301-552-9078 for more information and the audition schedule.

Information Day

There are still some tables available for Information Day. This is a great way for businesses, organizations, associations, and

At the Library

Tuesday, July 18, 7 p.m., P.J. Storytime, ages 4 to 6.

Wednesday, July 19, 2 p.m., Summer Events for Kids: Mary Ann Jung as Clara Barton, for ages 6 to 12.

Thursday, July 20, 10:15 a.m., Drop-in Storytime, ages 3 to 5.

La Leche League Meets Tuesday

La Leche League of Greenbelt will meet on Tuesday, July 18, at 10 a.m. at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 6905 Greenbelt Road. The topic of the meeting is "Why Breastfeed Your Baby?" Pregnant and breastfeeding mothers are invited to attend. Babies are welcome. For more information, please call Mary at 301-345-4589.

other similar groups to display their information. Call David Pitts at 301-345-9605 to get an application.

Ticket Booth

Volunteers are being sought to help coordinate the various Ticket Booths located around the Festival. Call Pam Callen 301-486-0198 or Patty Ladnier at 301-345-8123 for more information.

Business Liaison

The Festival program and stage are a wonderful way for businesses and individuals to get recognition for their monetary contributions to the Festival. Call Jeannie Smith at 301-345-1091 for more information.

Entertainment

The Labor Day stage will host some new, as well as some returning entertainers - all top notch. Call Patti Brothers at 301-982-2312 for a sneak preview.

The Committee is still welcoming volunteers to help out with this yearly event, the 46th one. Call Barbara Ransom, Festival president, at 301-441-1597 to become part of this wonderful group.

Writers Group Hosts Riverdale Book Club

On Friday, July 21 at 7:30 p.m., the Greenbelt Writers Group (GWG) will feature a special presentation by local book club members followed by open readings. Later plans for the group's September mini-writing workshop and other topics will be discussed. The meeting will be held in the Greenbelt Community Center. It is open to the entire community.

First, members of the Riverdale Book Club will speak about their experiences as members of a stimulating book club

and as co-authors of a group novel which fictionalizes book club members' experiences in story form. Open readings will follow.

Following these activities, other plans will be discussed, including GWG's proposed September 15 mini-writing seminar with two simultaneous sessions. One session will be a spontaneous writing workshop while the other will be a critique workshop. To have a work critiqued, bring 10 copies of the piece to the August meeting for distribution to other workshop participants. For more information, call Marsha Barrett at 301-982-0365 or write florday2000@yahoo.com.

The Pea Shooters Play at the Pool

The Pea Shooters will play Rockabilly at the Aquatic Center's Pool Party Saturday, July 15 from 8 to 10 p.m. The rain location is the Youth Center.

Hank Greenberg Star Of Baseball Movie

"The Life and Times of Hank Greenberg," a humorous and nostalgic documentary about an extraordinary baseball player who transcended ethnic and religious prejudice to become an American icon, will open Friday, July 14 at the Greenbelt Theatre.

Greenberg's achievements during the "Golden Age of Baseball" in the 1930s and '40s rivaled those of Babe Ruth and Lou Gehrig. As America's first Jewish baseball star, Greenberg helped break down the barriers of discrimination in American sports and society.

Included in the movie are interviews with Greenberg and other sports figures, fellow players, fans and actors, also famous scenes from such Hollywood classics as "Gentleman's Agreement," as well as dramatic historical footage.

"The Life and Times of Hank Greenberg" is written, produced and directed by Aviva Kempner. It was the Audience Award Winner at the Hamptons International Film Festival and received the Spirit Award for Best Sports Documentary at the International Sports Video and Film Awards.

Golden Age Club

by Ruth Huggins

At the July 5 business meeting, Ellie Rimar, membership chair, welcomed back members Betty Wynkoop, Dorothy Gonthier, Julia Horine, Jane Love, Al Geiger and Martha Dann. She introduced new member Lucie MacKinnon.

Shirley Egenreider announced that the Corcoran Art Gallery trip has been filled.

Sunshine chair Betty Petroff is still under the weather.

The 50/50 drawing was won by president Bill Souser and Joan Conway.

At the July 12 meeting the speaker was Milton Mortman, speaking on Jewish cooking.

OLD GREENBELT THEATRE

Week of July 14

Life & Times of Hank Greenberg

Fri. (5:30 @ \$4.00)

7:30, 9:30

Sat. (3:30, 5:30 @ \$4.00)

7:30, 9:30

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For more information Call Mel SCITES @ 301-441-8689



Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center ADMISSION POLICY CHANGE

Non-residents will not be able to purchase daily admissions to the pool and fitness center on weekends and holidays unless they are a guest of a passholder or a Greenbelt resident.

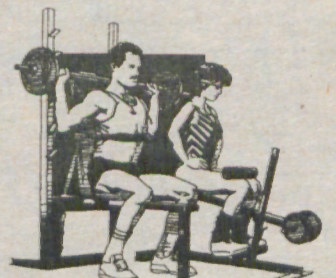


Guest fees are as follows:
\$5.00/youth (1 - 13 years)
\$7.00/adult (14 - 59 years)
\$5.00/senior (60 years & older)

WE NEED YOUR HELP!!

In order to implement these changes, anyone wishing to pay a daily admission fee must present a valid I.D. proving Greenbelt residency.

Also, passholders and residents bringing in guests must remain in the facility with them and will be responsible for their guests.



COUNCIL

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Two concerns were raised regarding the guest policy. One, that each passholder or Greenbelt resident bringing in a guest must sign them in and remain in the facility and be responsible for the guest at all times. The second concerns a guest pass for visiting children. Councilmember Ed Putens commented that some accommodations should be made for residents with grown children who are returning to Greenbelt for a visit. It was agreed that council would take a look at the overall policy for next year but will retain the newly-adopted policy for this season.

Discussion of the council's summer meeting schedule took place as the last topic of the meeting, in which the issue arose as to whether to have an executive session on July 12 or a regular work session. Councilmember White questioned what the executive session was for, with Mayor Davis replying it was for land acquisition. After more questioning, Davis defined the purpose further as the Jaeger tract. White replied that "The Jaeger tract is not even within the corporate limits of Greenbelt. We can discuss the Jaeger tract but it ought to be open."

When city attorney Robert Manzi was consulted, he replied that "It is certainly the council's call. If you're talking about acquisition, obviously as your attorney, then I strongly suggest an executive session, only because we may be talking about strategies and other things that you may not want to have out in the public at that point, only for the fact that there's someone who owns the land and there's potential opposition. If I have to file some kind of action on behalf of the city, I would rather them not know...my direction from the council."

Councilmember Turnbull stated that it should be an open work session as a preliminary examination before discussing strategy or negotiating position. Councilmember White re-

St. Hugh's to Hold Alumni Reunion

In celebration of the 50th anniversary of St. Hugh's School, an All-Class Alumni Reunion will be held this summer. St. Hugh's School has been providing education to the local Catholic community for half a century.

Former St. Hugh's students are invited to join in the celebration at the Saturday Night Mixer on July 22 from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. in Grenoble Hall. On Sunday, July 23, at 11 a.m. there will be an Alumni Mass, with a picnic to follow on the church grounds.

All students who have attended St. Hugh's school are encouraged to attend and look for their former classmates and teachers. For further details and price for the mixer and picnic, call 301-805-8577.

sponded, "I view the Jaeger tract as an issue and not a potential for this council to acquire. We have no plans to acquire the Jaeger tract at all, to my knowledge."

After further discussion, Mayor Davis asked for agreement on holding an executive session to seek legal advice concerning the Jaeger tract. More discussion ensued, and the final word on the issue was from Davis, who said there will be an executive session on the matter.

On July 12, council did vote unanimously to close the meeting.

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has several hobbies to keep her busy. She says that "elementary gardening" around her home relaxes her as well as taking care of her parakeets, Eleanor and Franklin, and, in particular, reading mystery novels.

Educational Background


An academic career in English literature is what brought about her passion for mystery fiction: "During my dissertation ... if your main work is literature, you need something else to read," she laughed.

Gallagher received her bachelor's degree in English from the College of Notre Dame in Baltimore, her master's degree in English from Morgan State University, also in Baltimore, and her Ph.D. in English from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Her long list of jobs includes teaching, researching, writing, analyzing — skills she currently uses as city clerk. Gallagher is happy that she decided to stop working at University College in favor of working for the City of Greenbelt — not merely because her commute is a breeze. "There are parts of this job (as city clerk) I haven't even touched yet," she says "but it's fun, and different. I wanted a change, a change in work environment ... and they really are very nice people working in Greenbelt."



Kathleen Gallagher - photo by Leigh Catterton



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Athletics make the grade - Cal Ripken League champs. L. to r. first row: Shane Fendlay, Steven Mogel, Robbie Eloshway, Michael Iacone, Vinnie DeRight, and Eric Meyer. Standing, l. to r., second row: Asst. Coach Kevin Fendlay, Matt Beaver, Jonathan

Gardenhour, Delante Horton, Greg Meyer, Harrison Hilliard, Matt Beaver. Third row: Asst. Coach Tony Iacone. Not pictured, Asst. Coach Frann Fendlay, Wesley Hilliard, and Coach Joe Fulton.

Athletics Make the Grade

by Larry Hilliard

The Greenbelt Athletics are the World Series Champions of the Greenbelt Cal Ripken League! But it wasn't without some high drama and irony along the way. In the traditional opening day parade, as the fire truck started off with last year's World Series teams - the Orioles and Cards - the veteran Athletics vowed that they would be riding on the fire truck next year - the memory of 1999 had not faded. During that season the upstart Os in the semifinals upset the Athletics, who were regular season champs of the American League. The way the '99 season ended gave them more determination than ever to make it all the way this year.

Due to rainouts it was well into the season before the Orioles and Athletics faced off again. By that time the Os were working on an undefeated regular season and the Athletics, with a new crop of rookies - Erik and Greg Meyer, Jonathan Gardenhour, Delante Horton, Wesley Hilliard, Steven Mogel - had been struggling to get to .500. The Orioles won that one and then two consecutive 2-0 shutouts later in the season. It wasn't until the last week of the season that the Giants found a chink in the Orioles armor. It was the Os only defeat in the regular season. The Athletics finished the American League season in a distant second place just edging out the third place Tigers.

The playoffs were a different story just as the previous year had been. This time the Athletics pulled off the upset. The first inning was critical as pitcher Harrison Hilliard gave up a walk to the Os' leadoff man Billy Villiard and Billy came all the way around to score. The As came right back with a two run homer by Vinnie DeRight and the Athletics had finally broken through on the scoring drought against the Os. Hilliard struck out eight out of the first nine batters but the Orioles tied it up 4-4 in the fifth. The Athletics went ahead again with big hits by Michael Iacone, and Greg Meyer in the sixth. Shane Fendlay, pitching in relief, sealed the victory.

The next night the Os and As

faced off again. As' pitcher Chris Beaver started and went four innings. Fendlay at shortstop and Robbie Eloshway in centerfield made some incredible plays up the middle. Erik Meyer started off the winning rally with his walk, Steven, Jonathan, and Delante moved the runners around in their turn at bats, and the big guns at the top of the lineup finished the job. The game ended on a perfectly executed pick off at second base. For the Os, their season was over. The Athletics were the American League champs. On to face the National League Champion in the World Series.

In the World Series the Athletics met another upset victor, the Lions. The Lions had finished third in the tough National League and had to beat the Indians, Cards, and Cubs to get there. On Thursday both teams were tense and the As were lucky to escape with a victory due to a big hit with the bases loaded by Matt Beaver. Robbie Eloshway robbed the Lions several times with great catches in centerfield; at least one resulted in a double play.

The final game had high drama befitting a championship game. The As jumped out in front 6-0, highlighted by a long home run off the scoreboard by Vinnie DeRight. Hilliard pitched a perfect game for two innings until the Lions erupted for seven runs in the top of the third. The Athletics came back to tie it in the third and jumped ahead again

11-7 in the bottom of the fourth. Shane Fendlay was sent in as relief pitcher again in the fifth, but this time the Lions got three runs back and had the heart of the lineup coming up in the sixth inning. The first two batters struck out and it was down to the last batter, the As clinging to an 11-10 lead. The wind up, the pitch, a big swing...

It was ironic that a pop-up between pitcher and first base - which had ended Fendlay's season the year before with an injury - was the final out of the championship season a year later.

The Athletics players and parents thank the coaches, Joe Fulton, Kevin and Frann Fendlay, and Tony Iacone for all their confidence and patience when things weren't going so well. Coach Joe thanks the team for following his three orders! Have fun, win, and douse Coach Frann with ice water. Coach Frann thanks the team for the muddy water - she's a wetter person because of all of you.

Thanks to the rest of the Greenbelt Cal Ripken League for a memorable season.

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Windsor Green Annual Meeting

On June 15, 2000 Windsor Green HOA held its Annual Meeting. The Board of Directors wishes to express their appreciation to the election committee and all who helped with the Annual Meeting and Election. A special thanks to all homeowners and guest speaker, Mayor J Davis, City of Greenbelt, for their support.

SECTOR

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component.

Metroland Critique

While endorsing the "open public process" used in developing the Sector Plan, the city's letter contrasts this process to the experience of "reacting to privately developed plans or special interest legislation." Though oblique, this language refers to the concurrent enterprise of a consortium of private developers, Metroland LLC, to create an upscale retail mall, later revised to a "main street" concept, for the same Core Area and to the enabling legislation, CB 35 and CB 47, that were passed by the Prince George's County Council for their support.

In the introduction, however, to the city's document expressing concerns about the sector plan, the position concerning the Metroland proposal could not be more direct. "This, unfortunately, is inimical to the best planning and design principles," the report states, "and represents a real barrier to effective community planning to support the optimum vision for Greenbelt West."

Development of City Response

Preparation of the city's response to the Sector Plan proposal was a joint effort by the city council and staff. The draft proposal was the work of Director of Planning and Community Development Celia Craze, with some later fine-tuning by council, including comments faxed in by councilmember Thomas White, who was traveling in Ireland.

Earlier, White and councilmembers Alan Turnbull and Rodney Roberts had made oral presentations before the county council on June 19. In their respective three-minute speeches, White had stressed Greenbelt's support of high quality development, such as Capital Office Park and the Golden Triangle, but cautioned against too much "upscale retail."

Holy Cross Hosts Free CPR Class

The Holy Cross Lutheran Church branch of Aid Associations for Lutherans (AAL) will sponsor a free CPR training class Saturday, July 22, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The session will be taught by Ray Adams of the Trauma Department of the Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore. Training space is limited and reservations are required. Lunch is provided by Aid Association for Lutherans. Holy Cross Lutheran Church is located at 6905 Greenbelt Road in Greenbelt. Please call 301-345-5111 for information or to make reservations.

Bugs at Arboretum

Bring a picnic and join in a day-long free event on Saturday July 15 between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. to celebrate insects at the U.S. National Arboretum. Tour Dave Rogers' exhibit of giant bug sculptures, meet live bugs and the scientists who study them, taste special bug recipes, enjoy kids' bug films, get mail canceled at the U.S. Postal Service booth, and other events. For more information call 202-245-2726.

Turnbull questioned how the expected traffic generated by the plan would be absorbed into the road system. And Roberts, who looked at Greenbelt's history as a planned community surrounded by a belt of green, deplored how that belt had been eroding; he pleaded especially for conservation of the wetland on the property.

In work sessions on May 20 and June 21 council also explored with Craze and Terri Hruby, the director of community development, both the underlying assumptions and the specific details of the Sector Plan with the purpose of establishing the city's position. Utilizing input from these various working groups, the final document was created.



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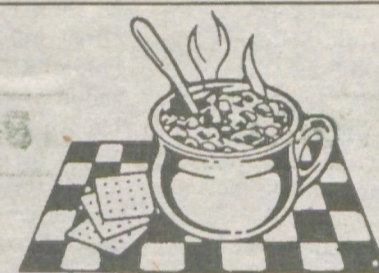
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POLICE BLOTTER

Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department. Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

Kidnapping

Beltway Plaza Mall, a man was waiting at a bus stop on July 3 at 6 p.m. when a white van pulled up next to him. Several people exited the vehicle and forced him into the vehicle at gunpoint. They then drove to various parts of Washington, D.C., throughout the night and took the victim's wallet, pager, and jewelry. They let him out of the vehicle the next day unharmed.

Armed Robbery

7400 block of Morrison Drive, July 3, 8:10 p.m., a 28-year-old male nonresident was arrested and charged with armed robbery. The victim was sitting on a bench when he was approached by four people. One displayed a small silver handgun and demanded money from the victim. Another displayed a knife. One of the group grabbed the victim while the other three began to punch him. They then took the victim's shoes, wristwatch, and wallet and fled the area on foot. An officer stopped a person matching the description of one of the suspects nearby. The victim then positively identified the person as one of the people who robbed him. The robber was released to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner. Investigation is continuing in reference to the other three suspects.

6900 block of Hanover Parkway, July 5, 9:25 p.m., a woman was walking from her car to her residence when three people approached her from behind. One

displayed a silver handgun and demanded her purse. After obtaining the purse, all three fled the area on foot toward Schrom Hills Park.

Assault

Area of Kenilworth Avenue and Ivy Lane, July 1, 3:42 a.m., a 20-year-old male nonresident was arrested and charged with assault, fleeing and eluding, and resisting arrest. He was stopped for a traffic violation and as the officer was speaking with him, he attempted to start the vehicle and flee. The officer reached for the ignition key, at which time the driver started the vehicle and drove away, dragging the officer a short distance and running over his foot. The officer got back into his vehicle and followed the man to the area of Greenbelt Road and Hanover Parkway, where he was stopped and taken into custody. The man was released to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

9100 block of Springhill Lane, July 4, 12:26 a.m., a 44-year-old male resident was arrested and charged with assault and disorderly conduct. Officers responded to a report of an assault in progress and observed the man grabbing the victim by the collar and shouting profanities. The officer had to pull the victim from the man's grasp. The assailant was released to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

Drugs

13 court of Hillside, July 4, 12:42 p.m., a 27-year-old male

resident was arrested and charged with possession of marijuana with intent to distribute and possession of marijuana. Officers responded to a report of a domestic dispute. Investigation revealed that the man had a quantity of suspected marijuana. He was released to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

100 block of Westway, July 5, 6:50 p.m., a 20-year-old male resident was arrested and charged with possession of marijuana. Officers responded to a report of two people smoking marijuana in the playground area. An officer observed one of them throw an object on the ground as he approached them. The man was found to be in possession of a quantity of suspected marijuana. He was released to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

Ex Parte Violation

9100 block of Springhill Lane, July 4, 9 p.m., a 56-year-old male nonresident was arrested and charged with violation of an ex-parte order. Officers responded to a report of a domestic argument. The complainant, the man's wife, stated that her husband was inside the residence despite a court order to vacate the premises. He was released to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

Driving Intoxicated

Area of Kenilworth Avenue and Greenbelt Road, July 2, 12:20 a.m., a 37-year-old male nonresident was arrested and charged with driving while intoxicated and driving under the influence after officers responded to a report of an unconscious person in the driver's seat of a vehicle in the roadway. He was

released on citations pending trial.

Counterfeit Currency

Beltway Plaza Mall, June 30, 1:36 p.m., counterfeit currency was passed.

Burglary and Theft

7700 block of Greenbelt Road, June 30, an unattended purse was taken from an office.

Holiday Inn in the 7200 block of Hanover Parkway, July 1, 12:39 a.m., documents were taken from a room.

7800 block of Lakecrest Drive, July 1, 4:46 p.m., an 18-year-old male resident was arrested and charged with possession of stolen property. While on patrol, an officer stopped the man whom he knew to have an open arrest warrant with the Prince George's County sheriff's department. The warrant was confirmed and the man was found to have in his possession a cellular telephone that had been stolen earlier in the day from the swimming pool at University Square Apartments. He was released to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

7900 block of Ora Glen Drive, July 3, 3:36 a.m., three male non-residents, ages 18, 19, and 21, and a 16-year-old nonresident were arrested for possession of burglary tools. An officer stopped their vehicle for a traffic violation and for driving in a suspicious manner. Located inside the vehicle were tools commonly used to steal vehicles and a quantity of suspected marijuana. The 21-year-old and 18-year-old were also charged with possession of marijuana. All three adults were released to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner, and the youth was released to a guardian pending action by the juvenile justice system.

100 block of Northway, July

3, 12:43 p.m., entry was possibly gained by way of a door key. It is unknown if anything was taken. One of the suspects is known to the victim. Investigation is continuing.

Springhill Lake Recreation Center, July 3, 4:01 p.m., a gold Huffy bicycle was stolen.

9200 block of Edmonston Road, July 6, 4:49 a.m., a child's seesaw and wagon were taken from a patio.

7200 block of South Ora Court, July 6, 7:14 p.m., two unattended, unsecured dark blue boy's Magnum BMX bicycles were taken from a sidewalk area.

Vehicle Crimes

A white four-door Toyota Camry with Maryland tags DCK516 was stolen July 5 from the 7500 block of Greenway Center Drive.

Vandalisms to and thefts from vehicles were reported in the following areas: 9100 block of Edmonston Court, Beltway Plaza Mall, 6400 and 6500 blocks of Capitol Drive, 9100 block of Springhill Lane, 6100 block of Cherrywood Lane, Roosevelt Center, and Greenway Shopping Center.

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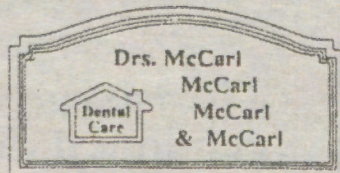
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Thursday	8-4
Friday	8-4
Saturday	8-11:30

SCOTT

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in the county, but felt that it was being done without taking into consideration some of the concerns of local municipalities.

Scott agreed that Greenbelt was a key location in the county's plans for economic development. She noted that Virginia is getting all kinds of development around its Metro stations, but that Prince George's County had gotten very little. The county executive and Economic Development Commission are looking towards getting development at county stations, she said.

City Councilmember Alan Turnbull told Scott that he did not feel that the views of the Sector Plan Task Force, on which he has served, should be relied upon. It is not representative of Prince Georgians, he said. Instead it is skewed to who was on it. Her reliance on that group's thinking instead of the views of the elected officials of the city causes problems, he felt.

Turnbull also told Scott that putting in an interchange would go against a Metro-centered development. Instead, it will become a vehicle-attractive development. He challenged ridership estimates for the development that estimated 40% of the people using the proposed center would ride Metro. In highly transit oriented communities, the ridership amounts to only 20%, he said.

CB-8 and CB-47

County Council bill CB-8, now pending, would establish a Development District Overlay Zone (DDOZ) a zoning category that would be needed in order to implement the sector plan. The county council, with Scott's support, has placed this bill on hold. The city council would like to see that bill passed before the county council's August recess. Scott said there was no hidden motive in the county council seeking a delay. There was a concern that as written it did not fit in with other planning processes, that it was being pushed

for an arts district elsewhere.

Another bill before the county council, CB-47, would amend a prior year's enacted bill, CB-35 that would permit the development of upscale retail commercial in a heavy industrial zone without the need to rezone. The Metroland site is zoned heavy industrial. CB-47 would permit "Main Street" types of development, a new concept for commer-



Audrey Scott

cial centers, that result in centers looking more like old-time, small-town downtowns. City councilmembers believe that CB-47 has been introduced to "tweak" the old CB-35 so as to aid the property owner in undertaking development without complying with the sector plan. Their suspicion is that CB-8 was put on hold so that CB-47 could be enacted first.

Scott said that she considered CB-47 to be a good thing because it includes a provision about municipal review. Davis questioned why this legislation was needed at this time when the sector planning process is approaching an implementation stage. Scott responded that it was needed to address a reality—the acreage for development was reduced because more of it is to remain open space and that providing for municipal review was very much needed. She has been assured by the planning staff that CB-47 will not compromise the integrity of the sector planning process, if it is adopted.

Councilmembers also com-

plained about being limited to only three minutes to speak at a recent public hearing on the sector plan. The three members who attended had anticipated that they would be given the customary five minutes previously granted all elected officials at county council public hearings. However, Scott said that it was a prerogative of the county council chair to set time limits, and the present chair, Dorothy Bailey, is granting all speakers three minutes. Davis noted that when she had appeared on behalf of county teachers before becoming an elected official, it rankled her that she got less time than elected officials.

Concluding her time on the hot seat, Scott told the council that she understood how all the actions together had given the council the suspicion that she was maneuvering for the developers, and promised to work harder to communicate better with the council.

Hanover Parkway Chutzpah

After complaining about Scott's actions for the better part of an evening, the council turned around and asked her to do them a favor—try to get county funds to help pay for the cost overrun for repairs of Hanover Parkway.

The city has begun repairing Hanover Parkway in the vicinity of Schrom Hills Park. This section of the road was built by a contractor paid for by Prince George's County. In making repairs, the city found the road to be in far worse condition than it had expected, driving costs up significantly. Wherever old pavement has been removed, city crews found no evidence of base material (gravel or crushed stone), only clay. Consequently, the city complained to the county public works department that the road had not been built right and that the county should help pay for the extra cost. County Public Works Director Betty Frances Hager, according to city staff, had denied the request and claimed that the road had been built according to design standards but that excessive amounts of heavy traffic had pulverized the stone

base and turned it into dust absorbed by the clay.

Scott noted that Hager was strong in her opposition and that it would be difficult to override that decision. However, Scott would be meeting with the county executive shortly, and would be glad to bring the matter to his attention. Some councilmembers, however, had second thoughts as to whether they wished to make an issue out of this, considering other matters for which they were seeking support, and it was decided to reconsider the matter at the next regular council meeting. (At the July 10 meeting, this item was not put on the agenda or considered.)

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Summer Fun Days at Marietta for children ages 4-12 years will be held from 2-4 p.m. July 23, at Marietta House Museum, 5626 Bell Station Road, Glenn Dale.

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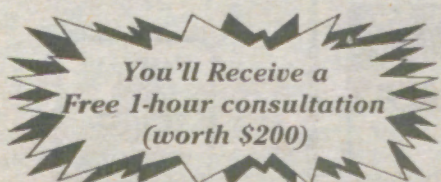
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City Notes

The horticulture crew installed fences around landscaping to protect it during the Fourth of July celebration. The streets and parks crew cleaned the park on Wednesday, after the Fourth of July celebration.

The streets crew continued renewing the black-top path near Lakeside Drive and forming concrete blocks for the storage units behind the warehouse.

The horticulture crew prepared the garden plot at the Community Center, removed fencing at the Lake shore in Buddy Attick Park, pruned back overgrowth, and using crab nets cleaned trash from the lake in Buddy Attick Park.

The parks crew continued con-



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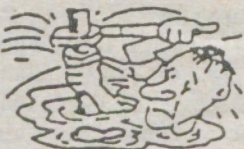
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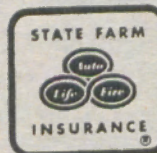
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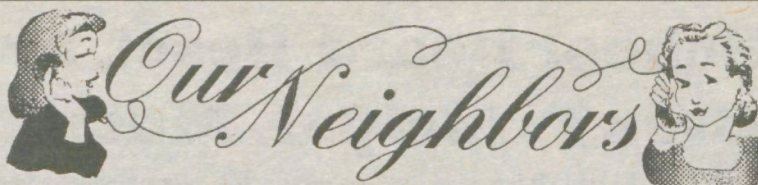
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Hats off to Pythia Griggs, who received an M.S. from Western Maryland College in Westminster, MD.

Best wishes to new University of Delaware graduate Andrea Bertone, who received a master of arts degree in May.

Army Reserve Pvt. Olumwakemi R. Oki of Springhill Lane is a recent graduate from the Army's automated logistical specialist advanced individual training (AIT) course at Fort Lee, Petersburg, VA. A graduate of Bladensburg High School class of 1999, she is the daughter of Adekunle J. and Adedla S. Oki.

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Shaconna Gorham, Community Specialist from the American Cancer Society, spoke about the Road to Recovery program and its need for volunteers to drive patients to their places of treatment when family members are unable to do so. Currently, there are only six volunteer drivers available for all of Prince George's County. Most of the treatment centers are in area-wide hospitals, including Doctors, Laurel, Washington Adventist, and Cheverly. To volunteer or for more information about the Road to Recovery program the number to call is 1-888-ACS-NEED.

Office Manager Kate Connolly reported that there are 209 members currently. During the year there was a total of 149 requests for service, including 69 for transportation, 14 for meal preparation and serving, and 12 for recreation. The latter came from volunteers at Greenbelt Adult Care, where there is a great need for anyone who can give some time to interact with the clients by reading, playing cards or bingo, or just visiting. To volunteer call the GIVES office at 301-507-6580.

President John Taylor called upon Mayor Judith Davis to give her report on the revised bylaws. These extensive revisions were passed unanimously with much praise given to the bylaws committee. In addition to Davis, the committee included Taylor, Booker Hughes, and Pat Unger.

Before the meeting adjourned little Brittany, the great-granddaughter of office volunteer Ruth Huggins, picked the winning number for the sewing machine. That winning ticket had been purchased by Bunny Fitzgerald for her daughter, Peggy Lippincott of Severna Park. Lippincott was not only excited about winning, but she had never owned a sewing machine and was looking forward to using it. Lippincott was joined in the celebration by her two children, daughter Courtney, age 12, and son Aaron, age 8.

GIVES welcomes new members and especially those who could use some assistance. There are those who are anxious to serve, and there are always ways in which the homebound can be of use. Just call GIVES at 301-507-6580.

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School Board Beset by Protest Over Principal, Music Teachers

by Mary Moien

Parents, teachers, and students rallied outside the Board of Education offices in Upper Marlboro on July 6 in two major protests. The larger group, of interest to Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS) students and parents, consisted of 50 concerned persons led by the former PTSA president Dale Manty and the current president, Allen Elliott. Greenbelt Police Officer David Buerger was also "here in support of the school." Their main concerns centered on the selection process for a new principal, as well as the reassignment of vice principal Reggie McNeill and the cutting of 4.5 teaching positions for the coming year.

At the same time, a smaller rally was taking place to protest the elimination of a vocal music supervisory position at the administrative level. This would leave only one vocal music supervisory position to cover all the schools in the county. This rally of about 25 people consisted almost entirely of teachers, including several well-known to Greenbelt students and parents, Dr. Barbara Baker and Judy Moore, who comprise the ERHS vocal music department, and Yvonne Speight, music teacher at Magnolia Elementary School.

As the time of the school board work session drew near, participants in both rallies crowded into the meeting room and sat and stood, holding placards with slogans including "Keep Mr. McNeill as ERHS VP and head of Quest Program," "Metts Must Listen or Leave," and "Who's Accountable to Us?"

ERHS Issues

Although the ERHS issues had not been added to the agenda, it became apparent that Dr. Iris T. Metts, schools superintendent, was aware of the crowd and their concerns. She addressed the issue during her general report early in the meeting. Metts reviewed the principal selection process and commented that she had recommended 55 principals in the year she has been in the county. She stated that in all cases, the person recommended by the community/school group was the person she recommended. There was one exception and that was a case in which the recommended person asked to be chosen for a different school. She also indicated that, to date, the committee at Oxon Hill High School has not recommended a principal and has asked to be shown another selection of applicants.

Metts recommended and then reiterated that "any community group with specific ideas on the selection of a principal should submit those ideas to the superintendent." Since the office of principal for Oxon Hill is still

open and the superintendent had received the resignation of the ERHS principal, Dr. Gerald Boarman, very late in the school year, Metts stated that they are reannouncing the openings. Those applicants who are interested only in the ERHS position and who may not have been on the earlier approved list will be able to reapply. She concluded by stating that she wants to "assure the Roosevelt community that they will be very instrumental in the process."

Jim Henderson, chair of the school board and the Greenbelt representative, asked Metts to "bear in mind that ERHS is represented by all districts in the county" so she should extend the community involvement to a broader group.

Because the ERHS issues were not on the formal work session agenda during the public participation part of the meeting, three ERHS PTSA members addressed the issues briefly under the guise of the main topic of the meeting—curriculum for mathematics

and science.

Vocal Music

Vocal music teachers were also out in force at the work session but did not address the board. Their signs and placards showed their displeasure with the elimination of one of only two supervisory level vocal music positions. ERHS is renowned for its music department, as well as, for science and technology. Barbara Baker, head of the music department was very animated in her defense of musical arts. She commented to the News Review on studies that show music improves intelligence, math skills, and coordination. She stated, "It's really sad" that there will be one person administering the vocal music program for 130,000 students.

One of their placards stated, "We are the training ground for other counties," referring to the movement of teachers out of Prince George's County. It was reported that this county is the only one whose program is aligned with the Maryland State

curriculum documents and that Virginia Simms, the music supervisor whose position was terminated, was very instrumental in this area.

Yvonne Speight, music teacher at Magnolia Elementary School, commented that with the elimination of the position, students will suffer in the area of choral performances, obtaining materials, and the whole gamut of vocal interests. The goal of this rally was to convince the board to reinstate this position for the coming year.

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